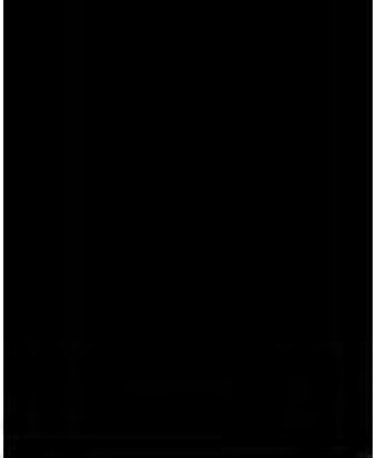


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Two (2) soil samples and two (2) water samples.

The samples were analyzed for methanol, acetone, isopropanol, ethylene glycol, petroleum naphtha, xylene, heptane, hexane, toluene, and isopropyl ether.

The samples were extracted using appropriate extraction techniques and then analyzed by direct injection into a Varian gas chromatograph equipped with a flame ionization detector. The results are as follows:

	<u>1017</u>	<u>1018</u>	<u>1019</u>	<u>1020</u>
	<u>Micrograms/gram (ppm)</u>		<u>Micrograms/milliliter (ppm)</u>	
Methanol	ND<100	ND<100	ND<10	ND<10
Isopropanol	ND<50	ND<50	ND<5	ND<5
Acetone	ND<50	ND<50	ND<5	ND<5
Ethylene glycol	ND<2500	ND<2500	ND<250	ND<250
Xylenes	ND<250	ND<250	ND<50	ND<50
Heptane	ND<130	ND<130	ND<25	ND<25
Hexane	ND<130	ND<130	ND<25	ND<25
Toluene	ND<130	ND<130	ND<25	ND<25
Isopropyl ether	ND<130	ND<130	ND<25	ND<25
Petroleum naphtha	ND<500	ND<500	ND<100	ND<100

ND - This compound was not detected; the limit of detection for this analysis is less than the amount stated in the table above.

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May 1, 1984

Mr. Mac McCulloch
Hazardous Materials Control Officer
Southern Pacific Transportation Company
One Market Plaza
San Francisco, California 94105

Dear Mr. McCulloch:

SUBJECT: SOIL AND WATER SAMPLES
AMCO CHEMICAL
3rd and Cypress Streets
Oakland, California

Attached are sample results for two soil samples, 1017 and 1018, and two water samples, 1019 and 1020. Samples were collected at your direction on April 3, 1984 at the subject facility.

All of the compounds analyzed were below the limits of detection and quantification for the analysis. If you have any questions about these analytical results, please call me at our Martinez office, (415) 228-8400.

Very truly yours,


John W. Schweizer
Manager, Chemical Engineering

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8 April 1986

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Lou Nagy
Amco Chemical Co.
3rd and Cypress Streets
Oakland, CA 94607

SUBJECT: Site Investigation and Soil Sampling in Outside Yard Area

Dear Mr. Nagy:

Engineering-Science (ES) completed an initial site reconnaissance at the AMCO Chemical Co. in March 1986. Mr. Lou Nagy, president of AMCO, accompanied Mr. Richard Makdisi and Mr. Eric Storrs of ES on a site visit. During the site visit and discussion of the history of chemical compounds stored on site it was determined that oil and grease, heavy metals, and volatile organic compounds (VOCs) were potential site contaminants.

Figure 1 shows a plan view of the AMCO Chemical Company. The warehouse area is used to store drums, both empty and full, and for transferring chemicals into various sized containers. It has a concrete floor and there were no obvious signs of chemical leaks. The "partially burned building" is also used to store empty and full drums. Again no obvious signs of leakage were noted. Much of the outside yard area is covered with concrete or asphalt, but areas of soil could be found (as shown on Figure 1). Numerous 55-gallon drums in various states of decay were noted in the yard area. Most of these drums were empty, but many were full.

Twelve above-ground chemical storage tanks are located in the yard as shown in Figure 1. These tanks are used as temporary storage between the time chemicals are unloaded from railroad tank cars and are put in smaller containers. The tanks appeared in good condition. Two 10,000 gallon steel underground storage tanks are located in the area between the shed and tanks number 2 and 3. These were installed about 25 years ago and are no longer in use.

Sampling Procedure

On 17 March 1986, ES personnel took six surface soil samples for metals, oil and grease, and for VOC analysis. The oil and grease and metals samples were collected in 1-quart Mason jars, and the VOC samples in VOA vials. Clean trowels were used at each site. Figure 1 shows the location of each sampling site.

Sample location "A" was between the railroad tracks and storage tank #1. The sample was very gravelly with some fine material between. Because of this, the VOC sample was taken about twelve feet away in front of tanks #1 and #2. This sample consisted of a finer material scraped from the top of a harder surface, possibly asphalt.

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Sample "B" was taken in front of tank #4 in the vicinity of the connection between the tank and a railroad car that would be unloading into the tank. The soil was dry and dark brown with an "earthy" smell.

Sample "C" was collected in front of tank #6. A tan-colored layer was noted directly below the darker surface, and the hole filled with water shortly after digging. An oily sheen was noted on the surface of the water. The water pH was 6.0.

Sample location "D" was in front of tank #9 from beneath two inches of water. This water was probably the surface collection from recent rains. The sample was black, fine-grained, and oily looking. The surface water had a pH of 7.5

Sample "E" was collected from soil beneath an empty 55-gallon drum storage rack. This rack was near a stack of drums filled with Trichloroethene (TCE). While the drums showed some signs of rust, there was no indication of leaking. The soil beneath the empty rack had patches of vegetation (grasses) and barren patches. Sample "E" was taken from the barren patch closest to the northeast corner of the shed. The sample was dry, black, and oily looking.

Sample "F", taken in front of tanks #11 and 12, was collected from beneath about three inches of water. Again, this water was probably an accumulation from recent rains. The water had a pH of 8.5, and an oil sheen was noted. The soil sample was black and sticky, and had a noxious odor suggesting anerobic reducing conditions. VOC analysis was not performed for this site because the sample was broken during transport.

Analytical Results

All analytical results from ES Laboratories are given in the Appendix. Table 1 summarizes soil contaminants found in samples A through F along with California State Total Threshold Limit Concentrations (TTL). TTL is defined as "...the concentration of a solubilized, extractable, and non-extractable bioaccumulative or persistent toxic substance which, if equaled or exceeded in a waste, renders the waste hazardous." (Title 22, California Administrative Code, Section 66206). The California Department of Health Services (DOHS) may determine that the TTL for a given constituent can be exceeded and still be within their "action levels" if the environmental conditions of the site are deemed appropriate.

Metals

As shown on Table 1, the only metal contaminants exceeding TTL are arsenic in Sample F and lead in Sample E. Sample F had 540 mg/kg of arsenic, which has TTL of 500 mg/kg. Sample E, with 1300 mg/kg of lead, exceeded TTL by 300 mg/kg. All other metals tested for were below TTL. Figures 2 and 3 show concentrations for arsenic and lead.

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VOCs

Samples A through E were analyzed for purgeable halocarbons using EPA Method 601 (GC/Hall). The only two compounds identified in any sample were 1,1,1-Trichloroethane (TCA) and 1,1-Dichloroethane. Concentrations found for these two contaminants are shown on Table 1. There are no DOHS guidelines or published standards at this time for these compounds, and evaluation is currently carried out on a site-by-site basis. However, Dr. Paul Williams of DOHS (verbal communication, 7 April 1986) indicated that a 1982 evaluation of TCA "action levels" gave it a concentration of 100,000 ppb. Thus, the highest sample concentration recorded, at 25,000 ppb, is below this "action level".

Oil and Grease

Soil samples A through F were analyzed for total oil and grease, and concentrations ranging from 7,700 to 170,000 mg/kg were reported. Reported concentrations are shown on Table 1. Again, there are no formal DOHS standards for oil and grease contamination, and evaluation is carried out on a site-by-site basis. However, Dr. Williams (verbal communication, 7 April 1986) indicated that DOHS takes 1,000 mg/kg as a concentration above which they will scrutinize the site conditions. Thus, the range of concentrations at the AMCO site will warrant a site evaluation. Some of the materials may be required to be removed, or if they are determined to be relatively immobile, DOHS may allow the oil and grease laden soils to remain on site but require a clay cap over the area of high concentration. The California Regional Water Quality Control Board (RWQCB) has guidelines for oil and grease concentrations which indicate that if there is sufficient oil and grease to cause an oil layer in water when a soil sample is placed in a bucket of water (the so-called "bucket test"), then the RWQCB requires vertical and horizontal definition of the extent of the contamination. If however, the oil and grease are confined to the unsaturated soil zone and no direct water infiltration of the soil occurs, then the RWQCB does not require removal of the soil (Robin Breuer, RWQCB, personal communication, 1985).

Conclusions

Of the six surface soil samples taken, all had oil and grease concentrations that may be of concern to regulatory agencies. In addition, sample D, which showed a TCA concentration of 25,500 ppb and a 1,1-Dichloroethane level of 2,100 ppb, may also be of some concern to the RWQCB. Sample E had 1,300 mg/kg of lead and 93,000 mg/kg of oil and grease, and Sample F showed a concentration of 540 mg/kg of arsenic. In addition, although relatively lower than the others, Samples A, B, and F showed oil and grease concentrations that may also be of concern.

Recommendations

Additional sampling is recommended to determine the vertical and lateral extent of TCA, 1,1-Dichloroethane, arsenic, lead, and oil and grease. This sampling should be carried out only in the areas where high

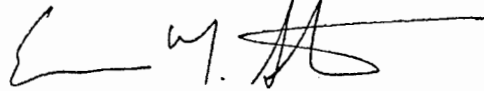
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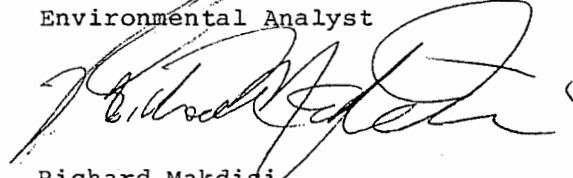
levels were found (see Figures 2,3,4,5, and 6). Specifically, two additional samples from depths of 1-1/2 feet and 3 feet should be collected from Sites C,D, E, And F. These samples should be analyzed for the constituents which were determined to exceed regulatory standards.

It has been a pleasure to provide you with the requested services, and should you have any questions, please call.

Very truly yours,



Eric N. Storrs
Environmental Analyst



Richard Makdisi
Project Manager

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TABLE 1

ANALYTICAL RESULTS COMPARED WITH REGULATORY STANDARDS
(mg/kg unless otherwise indicated)

Constituents	TTLc	Station Number					
		A	B	C	D	E	F
1,1,1- Trichloroethane (ppb)	*	466	ND	662	25,500	294	NA
1,1- Dichloroethane (ppb)	*	ND	ND	ND	2,100	ND	NA
Arsenic (As)	500	5.5	12	4	5.7	74	540
Barium (Ba)	10,000	81	170	200	170	240	310
Cadmium (Cd)	100	1.8	3	4.5	2	2.5	2
Chromium (Cr)	2,500	89	350	260	350	710	120
Lead (Pb)	1,000	96	290	340	370	1,300	290
Mercury (Hg)	20	<0.2	0.33	2.11	<0.28	0.93	<0.23
Selenium (Se)	100	<.5	0.65	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
Silver (Ag)	500	<2.5	<2.5	<2.5	<2.5	<2.5	<2.5
Oil and Grease	*	20,000	7,700	170,000	140,000	93,000	30,000

*TTLc not established at this time.

SOURCE: TTLc from Title 22, California Administrative Code, Section 66699.

FIGURE 1

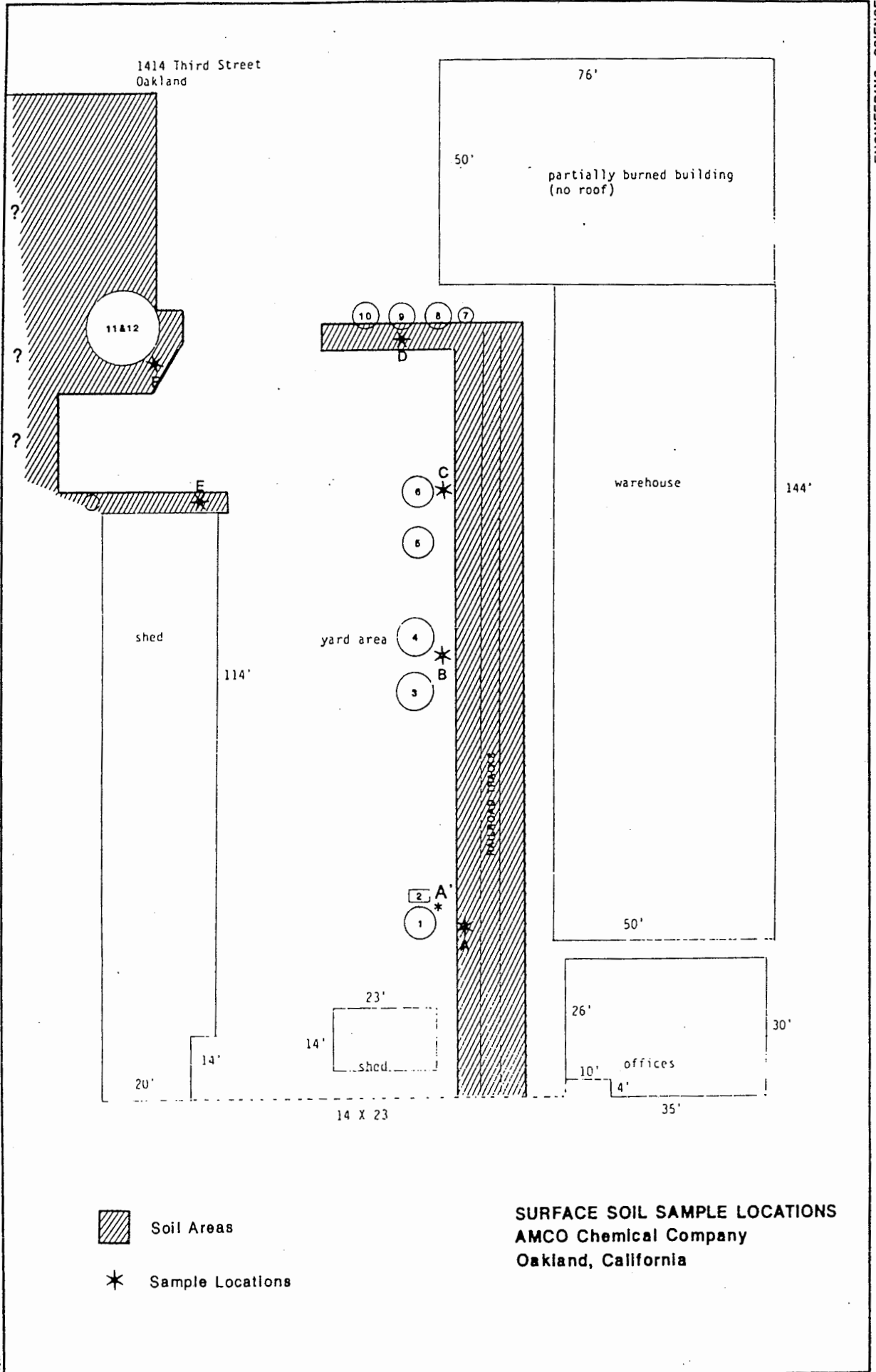


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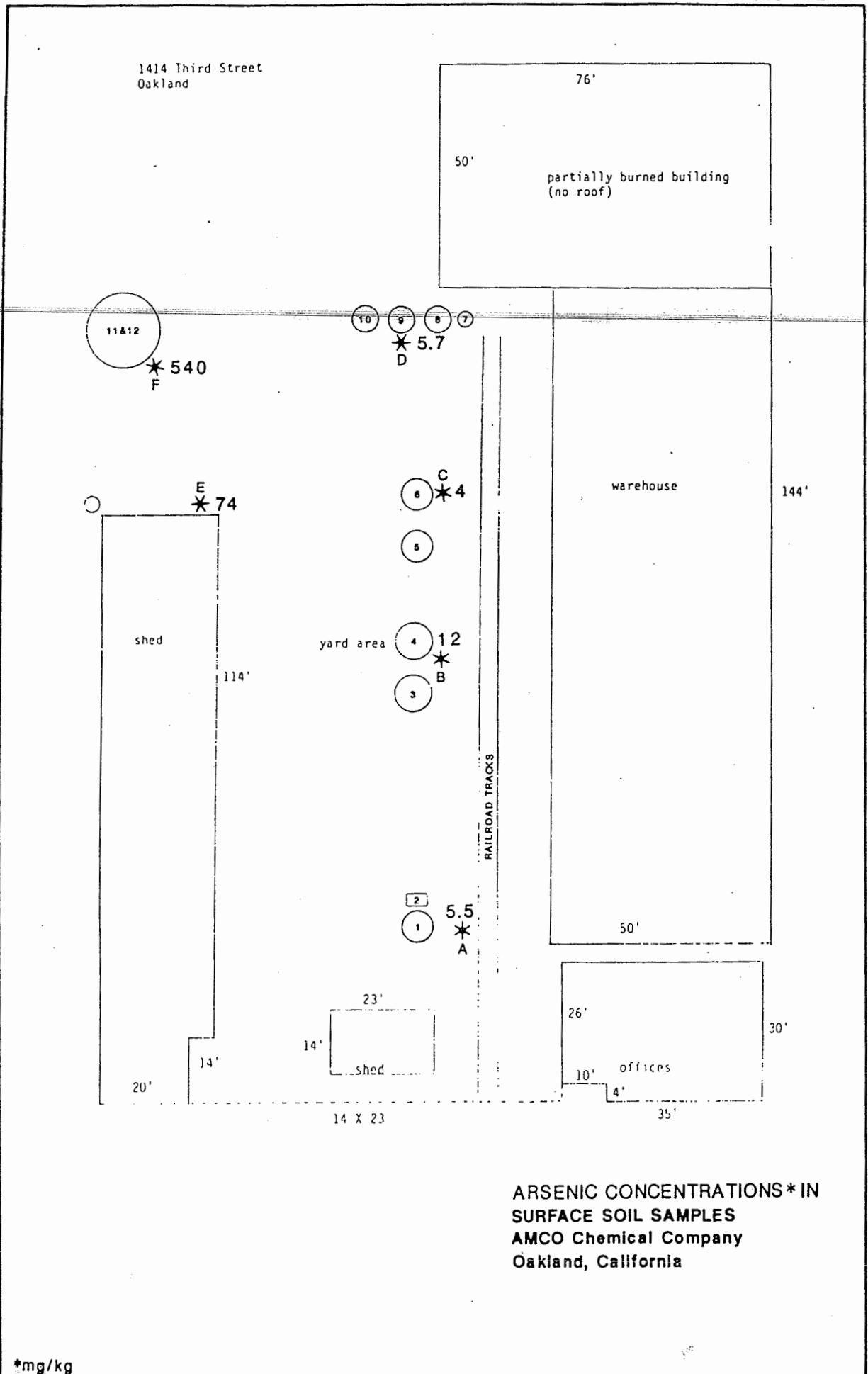


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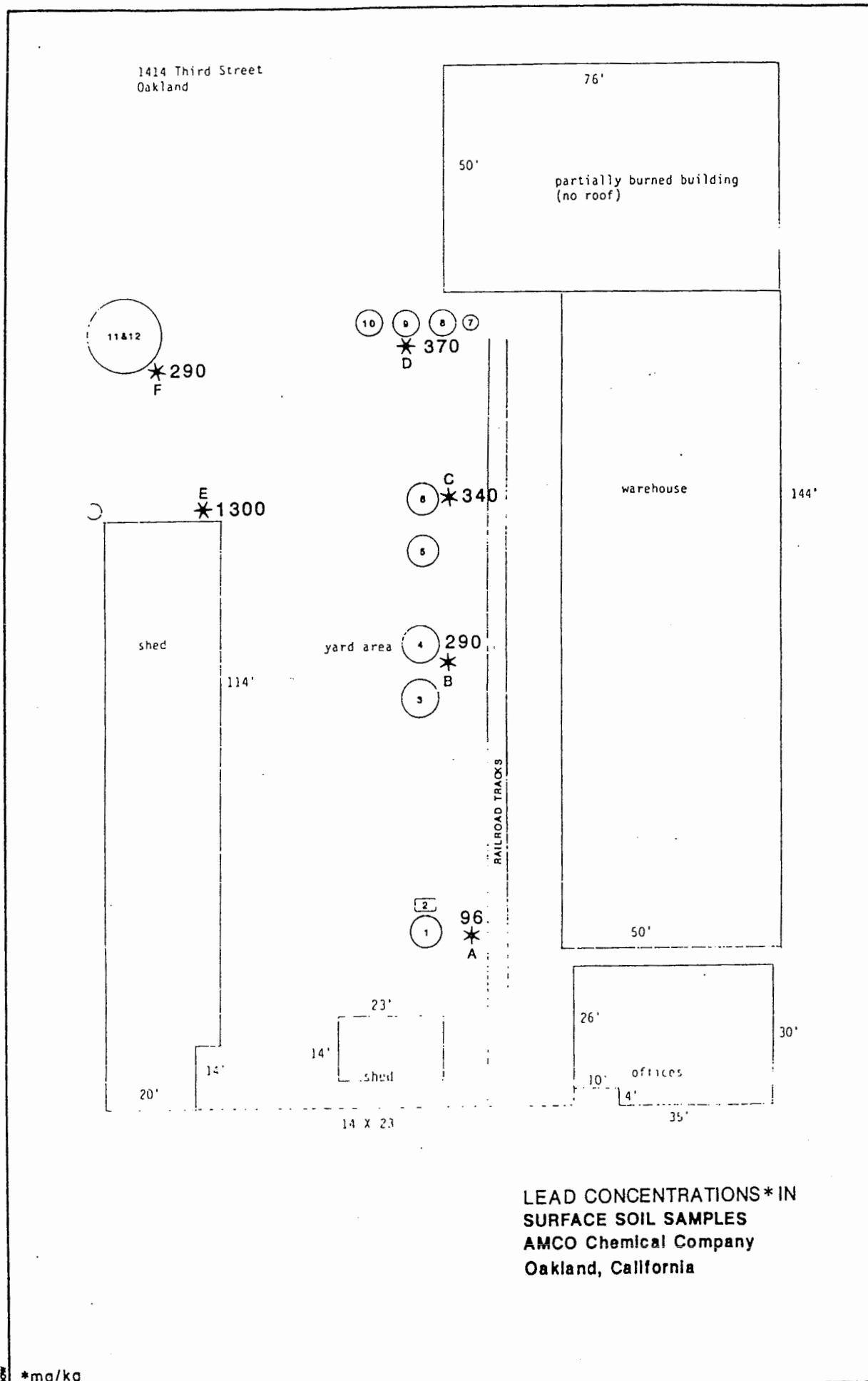
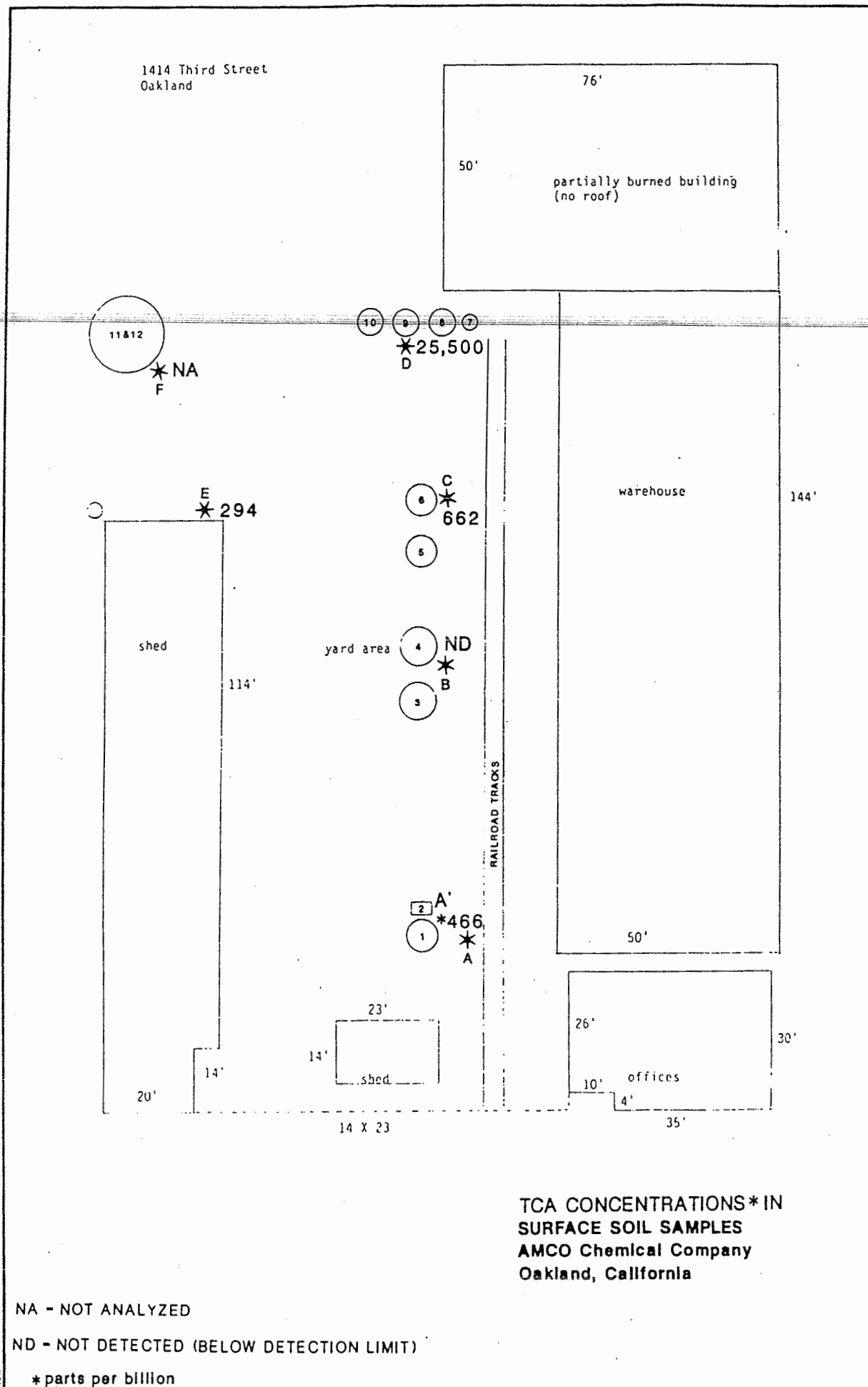


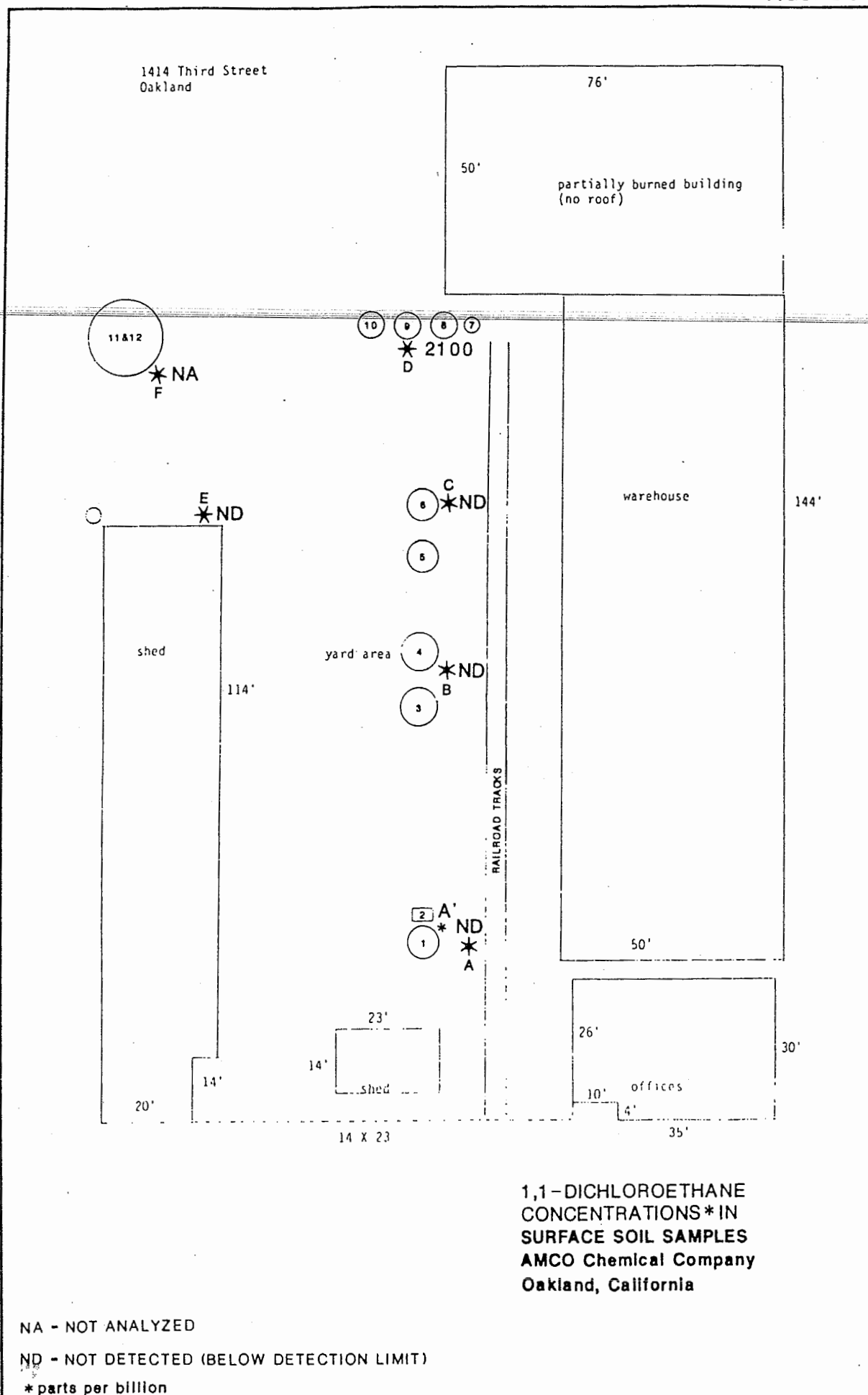
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EPA Method 601

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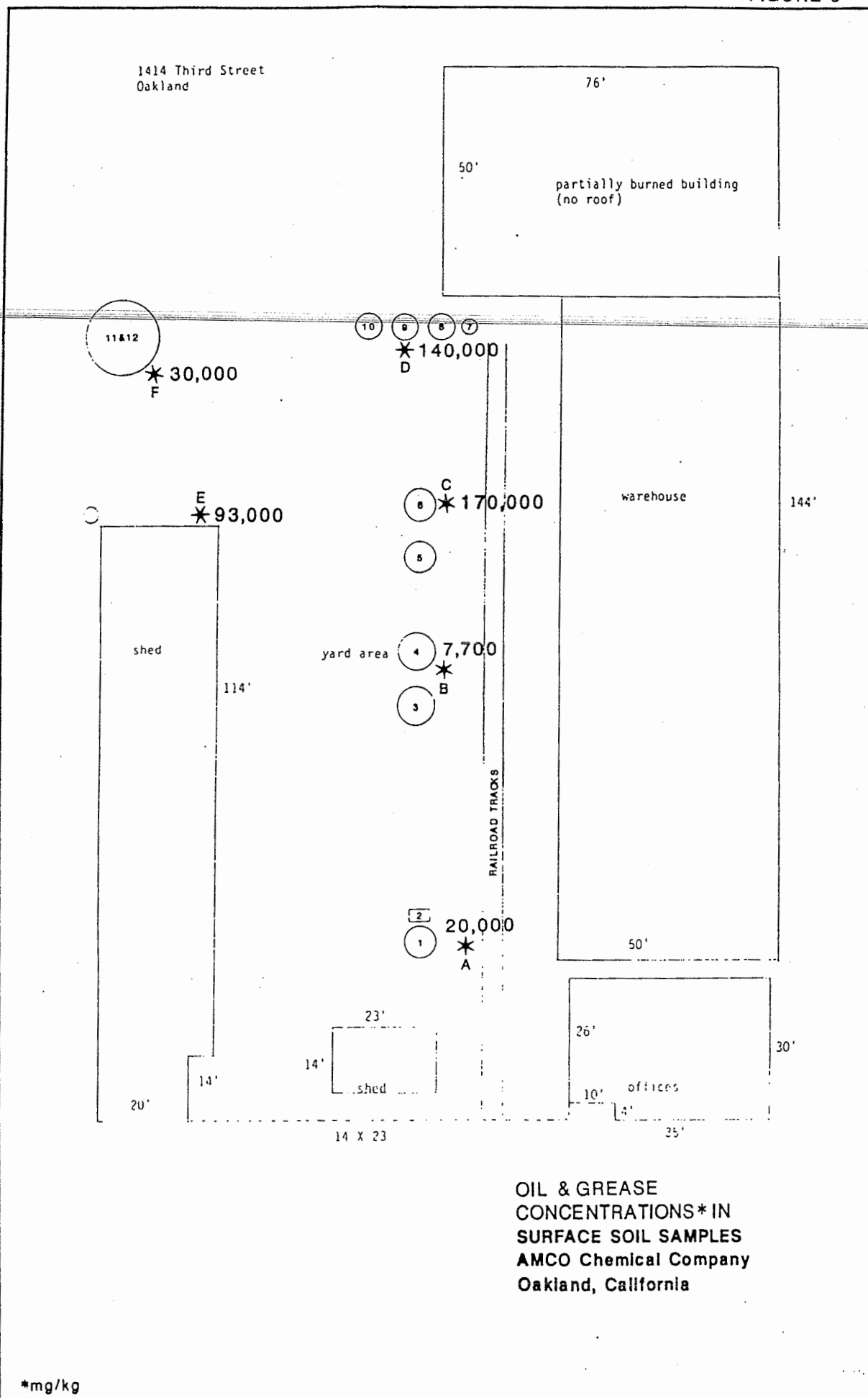
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Detection

Compound	Limit ug/kg	Analytical Results			
		ug/kg	ug/kg	ug/kg	ug/kg
Bromodichloromethane	0.08	ND	ND	ND	ND
Bromoform	0.2	ND	ND	ND	ND
Bromomethane	0.08	ND	ND	ND	ND
Carbon tetrachloride	0.2	ND	ND	ND	ND
Chlorobenzene	0.08	ND	ND	ND	ND
Chloroethane	0.08	ND	ND	ND	ND
2-Chloroethylvinyl ether	0.8	ND	ND	ND	ND
Chloroform	0.08	ND	ND	ND	ND
Chloromethane	0.8	ND	ND	ND	ND
Dibromochloromethane	0.6	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	0.2	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	0.2	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	0.2	ND	ND	ND	ND
Dichlorodifluoromethane	0.4	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,1-Dichloroethane	0.4	ND	ND	ND	2100
1,2-Dichloroethane	0.4	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,1-Dichloroethene	0.4	ND	ND	ND	ND
trans-1,2-Dichloroethene	0.2	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,2-Dichloropropane	0.08	ND	ND	ND	ND
cis-1,3-Dichloropropene	0.04	ND	ND	ND	ND
trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	0.04	ND	ND	ND	ND

FIGURE 6

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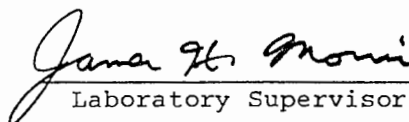
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Compound	Detection	Analytical Results			
	Limit				
	ug/kg	ug/kg	ug/kg	ug/kg	ug/kg
Methylene chloride	0.8	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,1,2,2-Tetrachloroethane	0.4	ND	ND	ND	ND
Tetrachloroethene	0.2	ND	ND	ND	ND
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	0.4	466	ND	662	25500
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	0.4	ND	ND	ND	1800
Trichloroethene	0.4	ND	ND	ND	ND
Trichlorofluoromethane	0.4	ND	ND	ND	ND
Vinyl chloride	0.08	ND	ND	ND	ND


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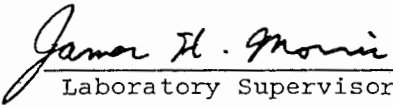
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1,1,2-Trichloroethane	0.4	ND			
Trichloroethene	0.4	ND			
Trichlorofluoromethane	0.4	ND			
Vinyl chloride	0.08	ND			


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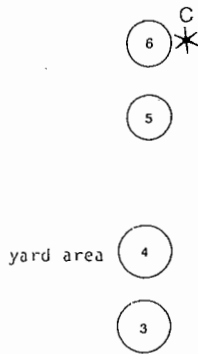
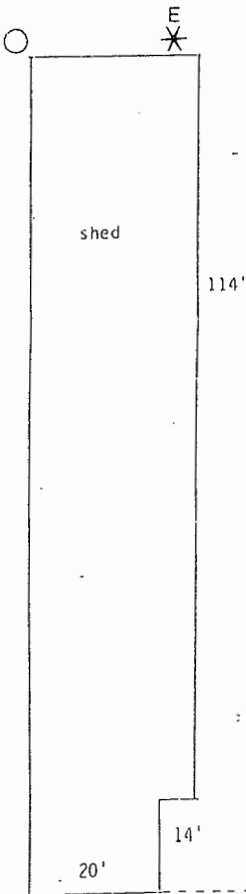
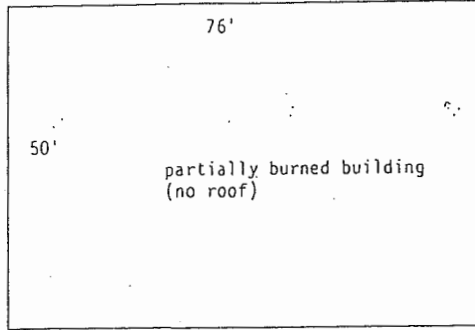
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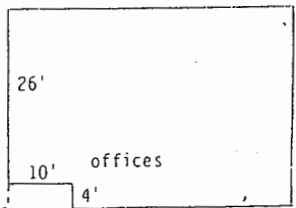
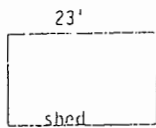
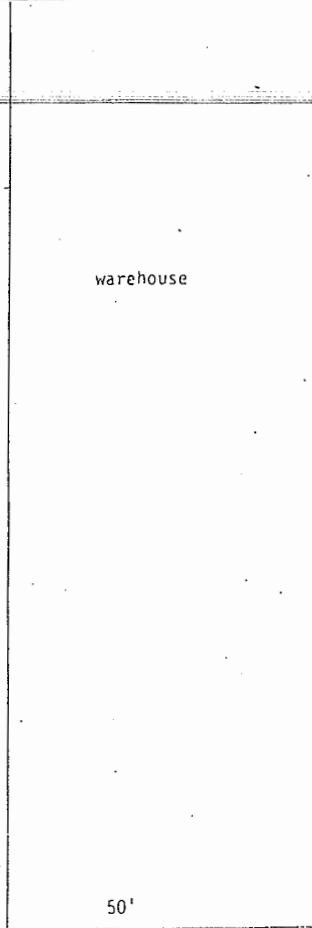
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